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1. The Nejdek Wool Carding Mills (Nejdecke cesarny vlyny), Nejdek, are near the railroad line on the east side of the town of Nejdek. The Rolava River flows through the grounds. A spur line from the Nejdek railroad station serves the mills.
2. There are about 2,000 employees in the plant. There are many German specialists working there who have been there since before World War II. About 80 girls from the Kostomlaty reformatory are brought to work by truck each day. About 60 nuns work there also; it is not known where they live. The manager is Anders (fnu), a Communist.
3. Most of the employees of the mills live in Nejdek and either take their meals at home or bring them with them. During harvest time, about 500 workmen were sent to the Karlovy Vary area to help out on the farms.
4. The wool carding mills have their own electric power plant, which is operated by a steam engine. The machinery of the mills is new and very modern.
5. wool used to be carded here. The present wool supply comes from the USSR, although a small part of it is from Czechoslovakia. Production figures are not known, but the Five-year Plan is being fulfilled 100%. There are no known cases of sabotage.
6. Morale of the employees is low, mainly because of delays in payment of wages; such delays have run as high as five days. The foremen in the plant are popular, as they have been working there a long time.
7. The plant militia has from 150 to 180 members, all armed with rifles. The plant fire brigade is armed with pistols and shares the guard duty with the militia.

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